

# General Environmental Incident Summary

**Incident:** 5896      **Notice:** 11/1/2018      1100      **Occurred:** 11/1/2018      1545

**DEM Incident No:**

**No Further Action:** ☒

**Responsible Party:** TransTrash

**County:** Burleigh

**Twp Rng Sec Qtr:** 140 80 29

**Lat Long + Method:** 46.92181 -100.80480 Interpolation from map

**Location Description:** 701 110th Ave. SE Bismarck, ND

**Submitted By Info:** Mitch Kaelberer  
owner of TransTrash  
1800 40th Ave SE  
Mandan ND 58554

**Received By Info:**

**Contact Info:** Mitch Kaelberer  
1800 40th Ave SE  
Mandan ND 58554

**Affected Medium:** 02 - water

**Near. Occupied Bldg:** 1000 Feet

**Type of Incident:** Vehicle Accident

**Release Contained:** Yes

**Reported to NRC:** Unknown

**Contaminant:** diesel fuel ran out of truck fuel tank into creek

**Volume of Release:** 35 gallons

**Duration of Release:**

**Agriculture Related:** No

**EPA Extremely**

**Hazardous Substance:** Unknown

**Number of Fatalities:** 0

**Number of Injuries:** 0

**Cause of Incident:**

Customer's bridge collapsed while our truck was going over it

**Risk Evaluation:**

None

**Potential Env. Impacts:**

Sheen on surface water

**Action Taken/Planned:**

Strata Corp was contacted to take care of the clean up.

**Wastes Disposal Location:**

**Other Agencies Involved:**

## Updates

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**Date:** 11/5/2018      **Status:** Reviewed - Follow-up Required

**Author:** Schiermeister, Robin

**Notes:**

Release, due to a bridge collapse, went into Burnt Creek. Further follow-up is needed with an inspection.

**Updated Volume:** None at the time of this update

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**Date:** 11/6/2018      **Status:** Inspection

**Author:** Schiermeister, Robin

**Notes:**

Arrived on scene around 18:00 on 11-1-2018. It was chilly and the sun was setting. A trash truck went through a privately owned bridge, and released diesel and antifreeze into Burnt Creek. Two booms were lain across the creek; one just downstream of the truck and one further downstream at 46.920892, -100.807277. The diesel sheen could be seen past the second boom for approximately 200 feet. Most of the contamination could be seen around the truck staying in a 300 feet perimeter, upstream and downstream. The diesel did travel into both forks downstream; one which stops at a hole in the ground, the other leading to the Missouri River. A sample was taken in the right fork upstream. Further follow-up will be needed and more sampling to check if the product reached the river.

**Updated Volume:** None at the time of this update

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**Date:** 11/6/2018      **Status:** Inspection

**Author:** Schiermeister, Robin

**Notes:**

Arrived on scene at 9:06 on 11-2-2018. It was chilly and cloudy. Temperatures were in the 30s. The truck was removed from Burnt Creek late on 11-1-2018. There was pooled diesel approximately 300 feet downstream of the bridge. What appeared to be pooled diesel was upstream of the bridge for approximately 100 feet. There was a sheen leading from the bridge all the way upstream until 15th St NW. Sample checkpoints were set up along the creek. One was at the right fork of the creek, one 200 feet downstream of the second boom at 46.919837, -100.806595, one west of the bridge on 15th St NW, and one east of the bridge on 1804. Braun and Strata were hired to take a look at the site with Strata accepting to clean up the contamination. Pom Poms or absorbent materials were lain out over the water to catch the remaining sheen and the pooled diesel was confirmed to be biofilm. Another inspection should be made within the week to check on the sheen.

**Updated Volume:** None at the time of this update

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**Date:** 11/8/2018      **Status:** Inspection

**Author:** Schiermeister, Robin

**Notes:**

Arrived on scene at 11:00 on 11-8-2018. It was snowing and temperatures were in the teens. The creek appears to be semi-frozen and snow covered which made it difficult to determine if there was any sheen. There appears to be some discoloration in the water where it is exposed to the air. Sampling will be done in the following week to confirm cleanup.

**Updated Volume:** None at the time of this update

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**Date:** 6/18/2019      **Status:** Inspection

**Author:** Schiermeister, Robin

**Notes:**

Arrived on site on 6-18-2019 at 13:30. It was sunny with temperatures in the 70s. Walked down to the creek where the release occurred and took a DRO, group 190, and VOC sample. The water was flowing fast during the time of the inspection. Sample GPS point is at 46.921531, -100.805668. No sheen was seen on top of the water and vegetation surrounding the area appears to be healthy. Since the release, a new bridge has been built. Site closure may be possible pending sample results.

**Updated Volume:** None at the time of this update

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**Date:** 10/8/2019      **Status:** Correspondence - No Action Required

**Author:** Schiermeister, Robin

**Notes:**

Received sample results on 10-8-2019. The sample results showed no elevated levels of contamination. Results are in the incident folder. No further follow up is necessary.

**Updated Volume:** None at the time of this update